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1. The BRANDENBURG-ARADO (N 53/Z 23) airfield was occupied by 22 fighters parked in front of the hangars and 10 fighters, ready to take off, in the northeast section. There were three or four soldiers beside each plane. A radio truck with a mounted rod antenna, a tank truck and a truck were standing there. There was no flying between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Description of fighters: Low-wing monoplane, in-line engine; landing gear retracting inward; three-bladed propeller; rear section of cockpit fairing into fuselage; antenna rod aft of cockpit; wings dihedral, vaulted and rounded at tips, probably a Yak type.
2. Two radio stations were still located on the northern edge of the field. Only one cannon of about 40 mm caliber was seen in the AA gun emplacement west of the radio stations. A Soviet artillery sentry was posted at the main guardhouse. The air force kommandatura building opposite the guardhouse was again occupied by air force troops. Only one third of the air force dependents' quarters was occupied. Dismantling continued on the destroyed workshops of the former Arado Plant. Truck E 5-39-95 went to the field.

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Comment:

The report confirms that some of the fighter units previously stationed at the field were transferred. According to observed shipments and the [REDACTED] one fighter regiment was transferred to PINOW. Only one fighter regiment is assumed to now be stationed in BRANDENBURG-ARADO.

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